

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

YASUHARU SUDA : GROUP ART UNIT: 2854

SERIAL NO.: 09/646,876

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FOR: PRINTING PLATE MATERIAL AND PRODUCTION AND REGENERATING

METHODS THEREOF

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of July 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at line 3 on page 20 as in the attached markedup copy to read as follows:

A thirtieth aspect of the present invention is a printing plate metal as in the twentyeighth aspect, in which the group VIA metal is any of Ge, Sn, and Pb.

Please cancel Claims 4, 25 and 41.